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SUBJECT: OPPOSITION ON RAWALPINDI FIRING, AND BOYCOTT OF
CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY

REF: LAHORE 0300; ISLAMABAD 2386

1. UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT (UDF) LEADERS STRUCK OUT
AT PPP ALLEGATIONS THAT NAP AT FAULT FOR RAWALPINDI
FIRING INCIDENT ON TWO SEPARATE FORUMS IN LAHORE MARCH
25. UDF LEADER PIR PAGARO, WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAILED
ARGUMENT, TOLD MEETING OF UNITED MUSLIM LEAGUE WORKERS
THAT GOVERNMENT VERSION OF FIRING INCIDENT COMPLETELY
BACKWARDS. HE ALSO DENIED UDF WAS VEHICLE FOR NAP OR
ANY OTHER SINGLE GROUP AND APPEALED FOR PUNJABIS TO
HELP UDF BRING ABOUT RULE OF LAW AND PROMOTE ISLAMIC
VALUES. ON CONSTITUTION, HE SAID UDF HAD SUBMITTED
AMENDMENTS AND BALL NOW IN PPP COURT. THREE OTHER
SPEAKERS ECHOED PAGARO'S STATEMENTS.

2. AT PRESS CONFERENCE SAME DAY UDF VICE PRESIDENT
NASRULLAH KHAN OF PAK DEMOCRATIC PARTY CONTRADICTED
GOVERNOR KHAR'S ALLEGATIONS (LAHORE 0300) BY DENYING
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THAT PUBLIC MEETING ARRANGED TO ANNOUNCE CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY BOYCOTT, ARGUING THAT UDF WAS AWAITING REPLY ON ITS AMENDMENTS FROM BHUTTO AND COULD NOT PRE-EMPT HIS REPLY BY BOYCOTT. HE ALSO DENIED PATHANS WHO CAME TO RAWALPINDI FOR MEETING WERE ARMED, CLAIMING, SOMEWHAT DISINGENUOUSLY FOR ANYONE FAMILIAR WITH PATHAN HRESIDENCE FOR COFFEE AND LIQUEURS AFTERWARDS TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS VISITORS WISH HAVE AND TO DISCUSS WITH LADIES THEIR PREFERENCES FOR NEXT MORNING.

APRL 5 (ARMY GREEN UNIFORM FOR ALL EVENTS)

0830-0900 CALL ON MINISTER OF DEFENSE ARMY MAJOR GENERAL JAIME MENDIETA AND SUBSECRETARY GENERAL VIA SOLIZ.

0915-0930 CALL ON ARMED FORCES COMMANDER IN CHIEF ARMY MAJOR GENERAL JOAQUIN ZENTENO ANAYA. GENERAL VIA SOLIZ WILL ACCOMPANY.

0930-1100 CALL ON ARMY COMMANDER GENERAL SANCHEZ AND BRIEFING BY ARMY GENERAL STAFF.

1115-1145 CALL ON PRESIDENT BANZER.

1200-1330 STAG LUNCH AT AMBASSADOR' S RESIDENCE FOR VISITORS.

BOLIVIANS GUESTS WILL BE GENERALS MENDIETA, VIA SOLIZ, ZENTENO, SANCHEZ, AIR FORCE COMMANDER BRIGADIER GENERAL OSCAR ADRIAZOLA, AND NAVY COMMANDER VICE ADMIRAL XAVIER PINTO. US WILL BE AMBASSADOR, MESSRS. BREWIN AND SHANKLE, COLONELS SKILLMAN, TIerno AND CRENSHAW.

1350 DEPARTING HONORS AT AIRPORT.

1400 DEPARTURE.

2. SCHEDULE, PARTICULARLY LUNCHEON, WHICH ONLY SOCIAL EVENT INVOLVING BOLIVIANS, HIGHLY COMPRESSED AND WILL BE DIFFICULT TO HOLD TO. WE URGE DELAY IN SCHEDULED DEPARTURE OF ONE HOUR TO PERMIT MORE RELAXED AND GRACIOUS CONTACT WITH BOLIVIANS.

3. COLONEL CRENSHAW AND MR. SHANKLE WILL ACCOMPANY VISITORS ON APRIL 5 EVENTS. COLONEL TIerno WILL BE PRESENT FOR ARMY BRIEFING WHICH WILL DOUBTLESS CONTAIN LARGE MAP ELEMENT. AMBASSADOR AND COLONEL CRENSHAW WILL ESCORT SECRETARY FROEHLKE AND GENERAL ABRAMS

FOR CALL ON PRESIDENT BANZER. MILGRP MAJOR HECTOR NEGRONI WILL ACCOMPANY AS INTERPRETER AT ALL EVENTS.

4. MRS. BREWIN AND MRS. SKILLMAN WILL ACCOMPANY MRS. FROEHLKE AND MRS. ABRAMS MORNING OF APRIL 5 FOR SIGHTSEEING AND SHOPPING AS DESIRED.

5. MRS. TIerno WILL GIVE LUNCHEON FOR MRS. FROEHLKE AND MRS. ABRAMS FROM 11:45 TO 13:15. GUESTS WILL BE (BOLIVIAN) THE MRS. MENDIETA, VIA SOLIZ, ZENTENO, SANCHEZ, ADRIAZOLA AND PINTO AND
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